

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An image processing apparatus which reduces memory requirements of a printer and realizes high-speed printing is provided for a color image forming apparatus having a plurality of image forming units, transferring sequentially developed images in color to a recording medium, and forming a color image. In a host computer connected to a printer which has a plurality of image forming units, transfers sequentially developed images in color with overlapping timing to a recording medium, and forms a color image, the CPU converts document data into image data, and transfers the data in the order in which the data is printed in accordance with the delay among the image forming units.